UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEVADA

STEPHAN DARRELL WILLIAMSON,

Plaintiff

Case No. 2:21-cv-02136-GMN-DJA

ORDER

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LAS VEGAS POLICE DEPARTMENT, et al.,

Defendants

I. DISCUSSION

On December 1, 2021, Plaintiff, an inmate currently in the custody of the San Joaquin County Jail, submitted a civil rights complaint under 42 U.S.C. § 1983 and filed an application to proceed *in forma pauperis*. (ECF Nos. 1-1, 1). Plaintiff's application to proceed *in forma pauperis* is incomplete. Plaintiff has not submitted an application to proceed in forma pauperis by an inmate on this Court's approved form together with a financial certificate and an inmate account statement for the previous six-month period. If Plaintiff has not been at the San Joaquin County Jail facility a full six-month period, Plaintiff must still submit an inmate account statement for the dates he has been present at the facility.

Under 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(2) and Local Rule LSR 1-2, an inmate seeking to begin a civil action in this Court may apply to proceed *in forma pauperis* in order to file the civil action without prepaying the full \$402 filing fee. To apply for *in forma pauperis* status, the inmate must submit <u>all three</u> of the following documents to the Court:

- (1) a completed <u>Application to Proceed in Forma Pauperis for Inmate</u>, this Court's approved form (i.e. pages 1 through 3 with the inmate's two signatures on page 3),
- (2) a <u>Financial Certificate</u> properly signed by both the inmate and a prison or jail official (i.e. page 4 of this Court's approved form), and
- (3) a copy of the inmate's prison or jail trust fund account statement for the

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previous six-month period. If Plaintiff has not been at the facility a full six-month period, Plaintiff must still submit an inmate account statement for the dates he has been present at the facility.

Accordingly, the Court denies Plaintiff's application to proceed in forma pauperis (ECF No. 1) without prejudice because the application is incomplete. The Court will grant Plaintiff a **one-time extension** to file a fully complete application to proceed *in forma* pauperis containing all three of the required documents. Plaintiff will file a fully complete application to proceed in forma pauperis on or before February 4, 2022. Absent unusual circumstances, the Court will not grant any further extensions of time. If Plaintiff does not file a fully complete application to proceed in forma pauperis with all three required documents on or before February 4, 2022, this case will be subject to dismissal without prejudice for Plaintiff to file a new case with the Court when Plaintiff is able to acquire all three of the documents needed to file a fully complete application to proceed in forma pauperis or pays the full \$402 filing fee.

A dismissal without prejudice means Plaintiff does not give up the right to refile the case with the Court, under a new case number, when Plaintiff has all three documents needed to submit with the application to proceed in forma pauperis. Alternatively, Plaintiff may choose not to file an application to proceed in forma pauperis and instead pay the full filing fee of \$402 on or before **February 4, 2022** to proceed with this case.

The Court will retain Plaintiff's civil rights complaint (ECF No. 1-1) but the Court will not file the complaint unless and until Plaintiff timely files a fully complete application to proceed in forma pauperis with all three documents or pays the full \$402 filing fee.

II. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, IT IS ORDERED that Plaintiff's application to proceed in forma pauperis (ECF No. 1) is denied without prejudice to file a new fully complete application to proceed in forma pauperis with all three documents.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court will send Plaintiff the approved form application to proceed in forma pauperis by an inmate, as well as the

1 document entitled information and instructions for filing an *in forma pauperis* application. 2 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that on or before **February 4, 2022**, Plaintiff will either 3 pay the full \$402 filing fee for a civil action (which includes the \$350 filing fee and the \$52 4 administrative fee) or file with the Court: 5 (1) a completed **Application to Proceed** in Forma Pauperis for Inmate on this 6 Court's approved form (i.e. pages 1 through 3 of the form with the inmate's two 7 signatures on page 3), 8 (2) a **Financial Certificate** properly signed by both the inmate and a prison or jail 9 official (i.e. page 4 of this Court's approved form), and 10 (3) a copy of the inmate's prison or jail trust fund account statement for the 11 previous six-month period. If Plaintiff has not been at the facility a full six-month period, 12 Plaintiff must still submit an inmate account statement for the dates he has been present 13 at the facility. 14 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, if Plaintiff does not file a fully complete 15 application to proceed in forma pauperis with all three documents or pay the full \$402 16 filing fee for a civil action on or before February 4, 2022, this case will be subject to 17 dismissal without prejudice for Plaintiff to refile the case with the Court, under a new case 18 number, when Plaintiff has all three documents needed to file a complete application to 19 proceed in forma pauperis or pays the the full \$402 filing fee. 20 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Clerk of the Court will retain the complaint 21 (ECF No. 1-1) but will not file it at this time. 22 DATED: December 8, 2021 23 24 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE 25 26 27 28